

## BRIEF BIOGRAPHY

### Félix V. Matos Rodríguez

**Félix V. Matos Rodríguez** is the eighth chancellor of The City University of New York (CUNY), serving nearly 240,000 degree-seeking students across 26 New York City colleges with an operating budget of \$4.1 billion. Matos Rodríguez has focused his tenure on championing student equity, advancing career opportunities for graduates and creating innovative academic offerings. An accomplished and award-winning historian who previously worked at [three CUNY colleges](#), his historic appointment made him the first educator of color and the first Latino to lead the nation's largest urban university. Matos Rodríguez is driven by his belief in CUNY's unrivaled role as an engine of economic mobility, along with the interconnected role the University plays in lifting New York. He has a bachelor's degree in Latin American studies from Yale University and received his Ph.D. in history from Columbia University.

Chancellor Matos Rodríguez's full bio is available online at [cuny.edu/chancellor](https://cuny.edu/chancellor).